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From: Green.Jamie@epa.gov [Green.Jamie@epa.gov]
Sent: 2/13/2021 9:48:38 PM
To: Steeger, Thomas [Steeger.Thomas@epa.gov]
CC: Laws, Meredith [Laws.Meredith@epa.gov]; Picone, Kaitlin [Picone.Kaitlin@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Residue Data

I understand that there has been a release from the AltEn ethanol facility near Mead. The facility was in the process of shutting down per an order from NDEE when the release occurred. At NDEE's request Region 7s, Superfund is responding.

I will share any new info that may become available as appropriate but wanted to give you a heads up.

Sent from my iPhone

> On Feb 13, 2021, at 9:45 AM, Steeger, Thomas <Steeger.Thomas@epa.gov> wrote:

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> FYI

> -----Original Message-----

> From: Steeger, Thomas
> Sent: Saturday, February 13, 2021 10:44 AM
> To: jwu-smart@unl.edu
> Subject: RE: Residue Data

> Dear Dr. Judy Wu-Smart,

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> The information you provided has been forwarded for inclusion in the earlier incident report (i.e., incident number I033742). Are you making any claim of confidentiality with respect to the data contained in the Excel spreadsheet as these data may represent pre-publication/intellectual property rights? At this point, I have requested that the data in the Excel spreadsheet be considered as confidential.

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> I will let you know when I receive a response from EPA upper management regarding your request for a contact name. In the meantime, I strongly encourage you to ensure that EPA Region 7 is informed of water moving out of the retention lagoon; based on your email though, I presume that that state officials have been notified and that they have taken steps to investigate the issue.

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> Tom Steeger
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> Thomas Steeger, Ph.D.
> Senior Science Advisor
> Environmental Fate and Effects Division EPA Office of Pesticide Programs

> -----Original Message-----

> From: Steeger, Thomas
> Sent: Friday, February 12, 2021 7:59 PM
> To: jwu-smart@unl.edu
> Subject: Residue Data

> Dear Dr. Judy Wu-Smart,

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> Thank you for the information; I will have it included in the incident report that was previously established.

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> Your request for a contact name within EPA with whom you can discuss concerns regarding the release from retention ponds at the ethanol production facility has been relayed to upper management. Have you contacted the state lead agency(ies) and EPA Region 7?

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> I recognize that resources are spread thin and that you are attempting to compile the bee loss information- just let me know when the summary is ready to be added to the incident report.

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